# Waseda CS-R(1Y) (Customized Study Program - Regular Academic) at Denison University, a Japan Study college

Location: Granville, Ohio

*GPA requirement* 2.8 on a 4.0 point scale

**Number of Student Placements: 4** 

Dates: Late August to mid-May: Fall Semester, Spring Semester

## Summary

Liberal arts colleges are known for their small and challenging courses, active learning, cooperation among students, diverse teaching styles with an emphasis on discussion and writing, student-faculty contact, extensive co-curricular offerings, and friendly students. Upon graduation, many graduates of the Japan Study liberal arts colleges enter the nation's best graduate, business, law, and other professional schools.

Denison University was founded in 1831 and is a privately supported, coeducational college of liberal arts and sciences, offering three different bachelor's degrees (Bachelor's of Arts, Bachelor's of Science, and Bachelor's of Fine Arts) among over 40 majors. About 2,100 full-time students represent 49 states and 42 foreign countries.

#### Academic Study

Liberal arts colleges have competitive entrance requirements and rigorous academic standards. Former Waseda participants have commented on the importance of small class size (about 19 students/course) in helping them improve their English skills. Communication with the professor is an important part of a liberal arts education. Professors know their students by name and encourage students to work together.

Liberal arts colleges take pride in their rich array of courses, offered in a variety of disciplines and at different levels. All students may select courses from the entire curriculum. The college catalog contains a list of the college's courses, but it is important to remember that not all of these classes are offered each semester. Working closely with their academic advisor, Waseda students will select their courses each semester.

A sampling of courses includes Art (Studio and Art History), Cinema, Communication, Mathand Computer Science, Economics, Environmental Studies, History, International Studies, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Religion, and Sociology/Anthropology.

Denison University catalog: http://denison.edu/forms/course-catalog

#### Nationality

Is enrollment open to students of any nationality including your own country? Yes

## Housing and Meal Plan

Dormitory/standard meal plan

## Opportunities for Learning Through Experience

Liberal arts colleges provide many co-curricular options such as clubs, sports, community service, field trips, music and fine arts, and volunteer opportunities. Because most students live on campus, these activities are a vibrant part of campus life during the week and on weekends.

At Denison, Waseda students may participate in the International Student Association, East Asian Club, Film Society, Recycling Program, Alternative Spring Break, Denison International Relief Effort, or Passport, an after-school program for local children.

Denison Community Association: <a href="http://denison.edu/campus/get-involved/service-opportunities/dca">http://denison.edu/campus/get-involved/service-opportunities/dca</a>

Academic, entertainment, sports, service and special interest organizations: <a href="https://denison.edu/campus/student-organizations">https://denison.edu/campus/student-organizations</a>

#### Facilitation Plan

Students will meet with the coordinator individually and as a group to discuss classes and co-curricular involvement. For most Waseda students, the coordinator will be a professor who has research or scholarly interest in Japan. In addition, the international student advisor will assist Waseda students and set up various events for them.

Credits: 12-16 credit hours per semester; 24-32 credit hours per year (totaling both semesters)

### Web Page

Detailed information for Waseda Students is on the Japan Study web page: <a href="https://japanstudy.earlham.edu/america-study-abroad">https://japanstudy.earlham.edu/america-study-abroad</a>

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